Hi,

Sometimes we need to make decisions that are hard, that are good for the overall area but may be hard on a few. I think that the expansion of Tweed New Haven Airport is one of those issues.

I expect that some people who live near the airport have been fighting it's expansion for many years. Unfortunately, I think that we need to expand the services available in order for the region and the state to bring in more people and businesses. It simply takes too long to travel into our state from many areas.

It is not acceptable for people to land in New York and take the multiple connections on the train. If you land in Hartford or Providence there is no public transportation that will bring you to New Haven or the shoreline. In today's environment we cannot expect people to invest that much time in travelling to us.

We used to have more local airports but the few that we have left are so small as to be virtually non-existent to most travelers.

Please do whatever you can to expand Tweed New Haven so that it can be used as a true transportation hub.

Thank you,

Charles E. Venter